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## Yosemite National Park

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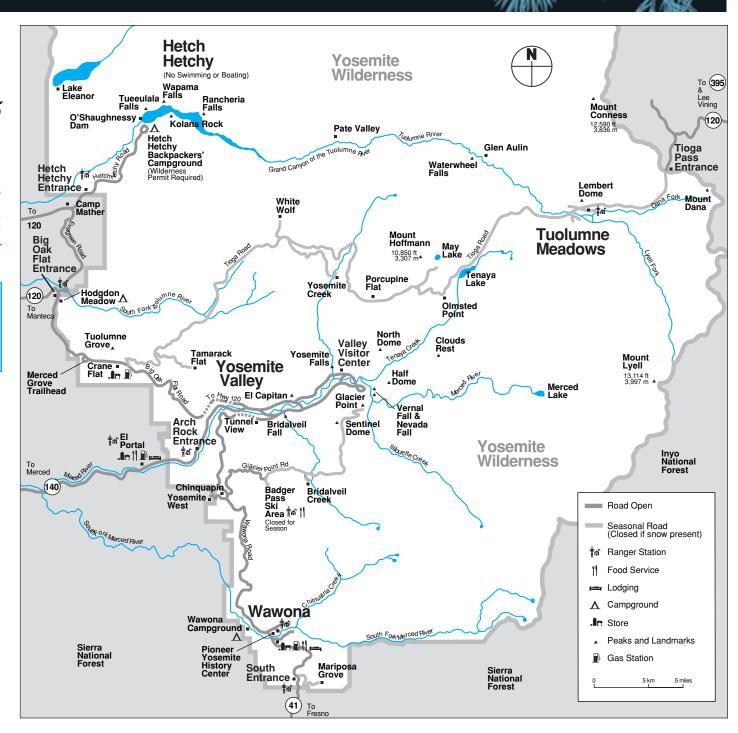
may experience short delays or temporary detours on some park roads. Call 209/372-0200 for recorded road information.

#### **OVERNIGHT PARKING**

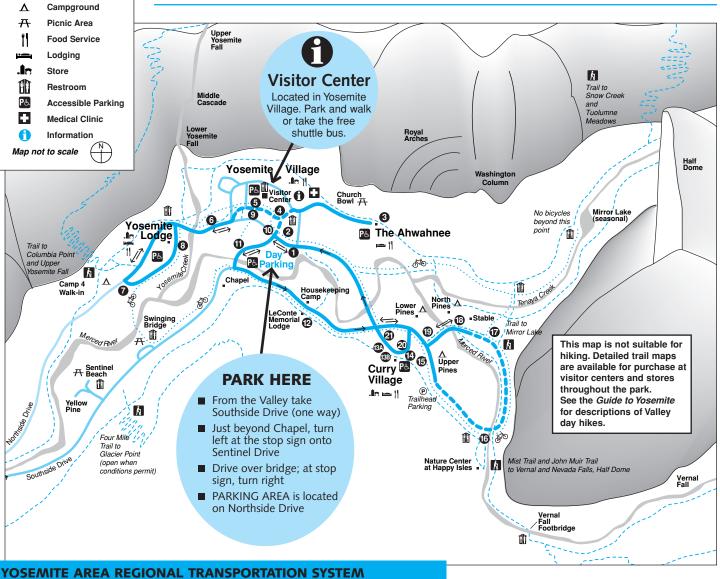
Shuttle Bus Route

Shuttle Bus Only
Shuttle Bus Stop

Parking along Tioga Road and Glacier Point Road (beyond Badger Pass Ski Area) will be limited to day use. No overnight parking will be permitted.



# Bike Path Hiking Path Campground Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map



For bus schedules to and from the Yosemite area, call 1-877-98-YARTS

or visit YARTS online at www.yarts.com

## Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus

Shuttle buses operate daily at 30-minute intervals. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order. &

## **SCHEDULE** 7:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m.

- 1 Yosemite Village / Day Parking
- 2 Yosemite Village
- **3** The Ahwahnee
- 4 Yosemite Village / Degnan's Complex
- **5** Visitor Center
- 6 Lower Yosemite Fall
- Camp 4/Upper Yosemite Fall Trailhead
- 8 Yosemite Lodge
- 9 Visitor Center
- 10 Yosemite Village
- Sentinel Bridge / Yosemite Chapel
- Housekeeping Camp / LeConte Memorial Lodge
- Curry Village Rental Center
- © Curry Village Registration Desk
- 14 Curry Village Parking
- Upper Pines Campground\*
- 16 Happy Isles / John Muir Trailhead\*
- Mirror Lake Junction\*
- 18 Stable\*
- 19 Lower Pines Campground
- 20 Curry Village Parking
- Curry Village Rental Center
  - \* No service after dark. Service to these locations ceases after the first major snow.

# Scheduled **Events**

**Programs** printed in color are especially for children and their families.

NPS = National Park

DNC = Delaware North Companies at Yosemite **.** 

**Yosemite Valley** 

(NPS)

(AAG) &

7:30pm Film - Ansel Adams

1 hr. Check local postings for venue & topic

AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery

AAC = American **Alpine Club** 

SC = Sierra Club

Yosemite Association = Yosemite

Fund = Programs a fee



**Indicates facilities** accessible for visitors in wheelchairs. Short steep inclines may be encountered.

<b>SUNDAY</b> November 6, 13, 20 & 27	<b>M O N D A Y</b> November 7, 14, 21 & 28	<b>TUESDAY</b> November 1, 8, 15, & 22	
9:00am <b>WEE WILD ONES</b> (November 27 only) 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under. Ahwahnee Great Lounge Fireplace (DNC)	10:30am Ranger Talk—Yosemite's First People 1/2 hr. Inside Yosemite Museum (NPS) 2:00pm Ranger Walk—A Changing Yosemite 1 hr. Front of Yosemite Valley Visitor Center (NPS)	9:00am <b>Photography Walk</b> 2+ hrs. Limited space advance sign-u required. Meet at The Ansel Adams G conditions permitting (AAG)  10:30am <b>Ranger Talk—Yosemite's First Po</b>	
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2:00pm Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls 1 hr. Front of Yosemite Valley Visitor Center	topic (DNC) ఓ	Wetlands and Floodplains (November 8 only)	

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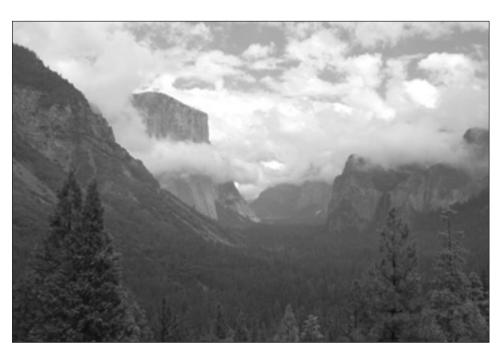
1 hr. Front of Yosemite Valley Visitor Center (NPS)

7:30pm **Evening Program** (except November 1) 1 hr. Check local postings for venue and topic (DNC) &

5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer

5:30pm Vinta 4 hrs. Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)

## Yosemite Valley



Tunnel View After a Storm

Photo by Colleen Brown

## RITOF Don't miss this award-winning, state-of-the-art film! SPIRIT OF Shown every 30 minutes at YOSEMITE the Yosmite Valley Visitor Center Theater, free of charge. See map on front page for directions to Day Parking. Take shuttle to stop #5. Pick up your free Yosemite Map and Guide at the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center.

### **Visitor Center and Bookstore**

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9). Information, maps, books, exhibits, bear canister rental and self-registration for wilderness permits. 🕹 🔚 TTY

## FILM

## **Spirit of Yosemite**

This inspiring state-of-the-art visitor orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes from Monday to Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday noon to 4:30 p.m. in the Yosmeite Valley Visitor Center Theater. Closed captioning available.

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## **Yosemite Museum**

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center. &

## **FEATURES**

## **Indian Cultural Exhibit**

Open 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwuk and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of traditional skills are presented. No food or drink permitted.

## **Yosemite Museum Store**

Open Thursday through Monday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). Offering traditional American Indian arts and crafts and books on related subjects.

#### The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. Occasionally, Indian Cultural Program staff provide demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture. &

### **Yosemite Cemetery**

This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indians and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center.

## The Ansel Adams Gallery

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center. Open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Gallery offers the work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers and other fine artists. In addition, a wide selection of handcrafts, books, gifts, digital services and photography supplies are offered. Scheduled activities are listed on the front porch of the Gallery. For more information, call 209-372-4413 or visit www.anseladams.com.

#### GALLERY EXHIBIT Water as Inspiration

## October 24 - November 24

You are invited to this diverse group show celebrating water in all its forms-raging waterfalls, pure snow, rain clouds, mist and icy rivers stir the imagination and soul. Water and its very visible effects are so omnipresent that we often take it for granted. Yosemite Valley and other glacial formations were sculpted by water's unstoppable movement. A gentle rain can be soothing, and yet we are reminded of water's power by storms and floods. Color and black and white landscapes by our represented artists come together to express the power and beauty of this lifegiving element.

## **Yosemite** Today

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# Wawona & Mariposa Grove

#### **Evening Programs**

Join pianist/singer Tom Bopp in the Wawona Hotel lobby from 5:30pm to 9:30pm., Tuesday through Saturday, as he performs songs and stories from Yosemite's past. Once or twice a week, he will present an hour-long interpretive programs on the vintage songs of Yosemite or the history of Wawona with slide or music accompaniment. Check with Tom at the piano for dates and times. &

## **Wilderness Permits**

Self-registration for wilderness permits will be available on the front porch of Hill's Studio (near Wawona Hotel). Bear canister rental is available at the Wawona Store.

## **Pioneer Yosemite History Center**

Go back to a time of horse-drawn wagons, a covered bridge, and log cabins. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center explores Yosemite's history and explains how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and around the world. The Center is always open, and interpretive signs and brochures are available. &

## **To Get to Mariposa Grove**

Allow 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours driving time to the Mariposa Grove from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area in the Grove, but several giant sequoias can be seen from there. Information about access for the disabled is available at the tram boarding area. The access road to the Grove may close due to snow or intermittently to limited parking. Trailers and motor homes are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road from the South Entrance to Mariposa Grove.

## **Walking through the Grove**

The trailhead for walking up through the Grove is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the California Tree provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations are available at the trailhead in Spanish, German, French, and Japanese.

## **Mariposa Grove Tram Tour**

Audio tram tours run everyday in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. Tours are 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours through the lower and upper groves. The audio tour is available in 5 languages, as well as in audio description. Tours depart daily from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 209/375-1621 for information and tour times. Closes for season after first snow.

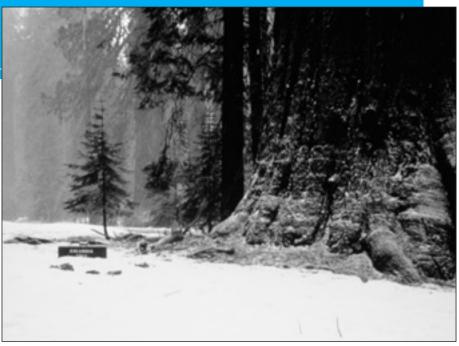
## Yosemite's Other Sequoia Groves

## **Tuolumne Grove**

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West) and the Tioga Road. The former route of the Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove of Big Trees, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. Now closed to cars, this 2-mile (3.2 km) round-trip has an elevation change of 500 feet (150 meters). The downhill walk is relatively easy, though it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return. Once in the Tuolumne Grove, there is an easy half-mile, self-guiding nature trail.

## Merced Grove

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It's a 4-mile roundtrip hike into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat entrance, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow 3 hours for the round-trip hike to this group of about 20 sequoias.



Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias

NPS Photo

#### **DISTANCE & ELEVATION** ELEVATION GAIN DESTINATION DISTANCE FROM TRAILHEAD 0.8 mile /1.3km 400ft / 122m **Grizzly Giant** 2.1 miles /3.5km 800ft / 292m **Grove Museum** Fallen Tunnel Tree 2.5 miles /4.0km 1,000ft / 305m **Wawona Point** 3.0 miles /4.8km 1,200ft / 438m



## Night Sky Information

Take advantage of the opportunities in Yosemite to view the wonders of the night sky. Here are some sights to look for while you are out during the night hours. During November, Mars will be in the spotlight. The brilliant yellow-orange planet can be seen in the eastern sky during the evening hours.

**November 3** Using binoculars, Mercury can be seen 40 minutes after sunset low in the southwest, to the right of Venus. The crescent Moon will appear near Mercury.

**November 5** At twilight, look to the southwest for Venus and the crescent Moon

**November 6** Tonight Venus will appear to Moon's lower right. Mars will rise at sunset, circle the night sky, and set around sunrise tomorrow.

**November 14** Almost-full Moon and fiery Mars shine close together all night.

**November 15** Full Moon tonight, called the Frost Moon, rising at 4:31 p.m. Brilliant Mars shines to the uper right of Moon during early evening.

**November 17** The Lenoid meteor shower peaks tonight, but due to the almost full Moon, the shower will be hard to see.

## Park Facilities and Services

## **S ATM**

#### Yosemite Village

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

#### Yosemite Lodge at the Falls

Inside main registration area

#### **Curry Village**

Inside gift/grocery store

#### Wawona

Inside Wawona Store

#### El Portal

On Highway 140 at the Yosemite View Lodge and the El Portal Market.

#### **Babysitting**

Limited babysitting available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge for additional information.

#### **Food & Beverage Service**

These hours of operation are approximate. Current hours of operation are posted at each front desk or facility.

#### YOSEMITE VILLAGE

Degnan's Delicatessen

7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **YOSEMITE LODGE AT THE FALLS Coffee Corner**

6:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

#### **Food Court**

Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Lunch/Dinner - 11:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## **Mountain Room Lounge**

Monday - Friday: 4:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Saturday - Sunday: noon to 11:00 p.m.

## **Mountain Room Restaurant**

Sunday - Thursday 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Friday - Saturday 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day\* - 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. \*Reservations recommended but not necessary

## THE AHWAHNEE

## **Dining Room**

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Sunday Brunch - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner - noon to 8:30 p.m. Reservations and appropriate attire are respectfully requested. 209/372-1489

## The Ahwahnee Bar

11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

## **CURRY VILLAGE**

Coffee Corner 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

## Pizza Patio

Monday - Friday: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Saturday - Sunday: noon to 9:00 p.m.

## **WAWONA HOTEL**

#### **Dining Room** Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Brunch - 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Reservations taken for 8 or more. 209/375-1425

## Gas Station

## Wawona

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel & propane available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

## **Crane Flat**

Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

## El Portal

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

## Gifts, Books, & Apparel

## YOSEMITE VILLAGE

The Ansel Adams Gallery 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## **Yosemite Bookstore**

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Inside Visitor Center

## **Yosemite Museum Store**

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., closed for lunch Closed Tuesday and Wednesday

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Habitat Yosemite 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday

**Sport Shop** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### YOSEMITE LODGE AT THE FALLS Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Nature Shop** 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### THE AHWAHNEE

**Gift Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Sweet Shop** 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### **CURRY VILLAGE**

Mountain Shop 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### **WAWONA**

**Pioneer Gift Shop/Grocery** 

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### Groceries

Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Degnan's Delicatessen 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Curry Village Gift/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### **Wawona Grocery Store**

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Crane Flat** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### El Portal Market

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Closed on Thanksgiving

### **Showers & Laundromat**

### **SHOWERS**

Curry Village 24 hours

#### **LAUNDROMAT**

Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

## Recycling

### **Village Store Recycling Center**

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday noon to 4:00 p.m.

#### **Post Offices**

### Main Post Office - Yosemite Village

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. to noon

Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Post Office Monday - Friday 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

#### **Wawona Post Office**

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

#### **El Portal Post Office**

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

#### Village Garage

8:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Towing 24 hours. Propane available until 4:00 p.m. 209/372-8320

#### **Service Organizations**

**Al-Anon** (except November 2 and 23) 7:00 p.m. Wednesday

DNC General Office Building (Executive Conference Room) Yosemite Village

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

7:30 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday DNC General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

#### **Lions Club**

Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at noon. The Ahwahnee. Call 209/372-4475 for information.

#### **Rotary International**

Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The Ahwahnee Mural Room. Visiting Rotarian families and guests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-1401.

### **Religious Services**

#### **YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

(Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831 Various Bible Studies during the week. Counseling provided. Call pastor for appointment.

#### **Worship Service**

### **Yosemite Valley Chapel**

Sunday 9:15 a.m. (Children's Church and Nursery available) Sunday 6:30 p.m. (no child care) Thursday 7:00 p.m. (no child care) Thanksgiving Service November 24 10:00 a.m.

#### **ROMAN CATHOLIC**

Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729

#### **Mass in Yosemite Valley**

Yosemite Valley Visitor Center Theater Sunday 10:00 a.m.

#### **CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Ron Skelton 209/379-2307 El Portal Chapel Worship Service Sunday 9:00 a.m.

#### **CROSSWAY CHURCH**

(Christian Protestant) Pastor Steve Hughes 209/379-2428 Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Girl's Club

### **EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255 El Portal Chapel

## **Worship Service**

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Small Group Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

## **General Park Information**

## **Emergency 911**

Fire - Police - Medical Emergency: Dial 911, 24 hours a day (from hotel room 9-911)

## Information

## **Road and Weather**

**General Park Information** 209/372-0200 www.nps.gov/yose **Campground Reservations** 

## 800/436-7275 reservations.nps.gov Medical

## **Yosemite Medical Clinic**

Emergency care: 24 hours daily Drop-in and urgent care: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Appointments 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday

Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care, 24-hour paramedic/ambulance services, limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence. 209/372-4637

## PAD Program

Yosemite's Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) Program is designed to protect park visitors and staff from sudden cardiac arrest. All automated external defibrillator (AED) cabinets have been placed in high-risk locations and are open and accessible to anyone in the event of a medical emergency. For more information about the PAD Program, contact the Yosemite Medical Clinic.

AEDs can be found at the following locations: Village Store (Yosemite Village), Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, Curry Village Registration Desk, The Ahwahnee, Crane Flat Store, Wawona Hotel, and Badger Pass Lodge.

## **Dental Services**

Adjacent to Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4200. If no answer, call 209/372-4637.

## **&** Services For Disabled

The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online

at www.nps.gov/yose/access/ TTYs are available inside The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, and outside the Curry Village front desk.

## **Accommodations**

For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848 (www.YosemitePark.com) For availability on day of arrival, check at any

## **Bear Canister Rental**

front desk.

Available for \$5 per trip at the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, Wawona Store, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station, Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park.

## **Wilderness Permits**

All wilderness centers are closed for the season. Anyone going overnight into Yosemite's backcountry must have a wilderness permit. You can self-register at one of the following locations: Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, Hill's Studio Porch (near Wawona Hotel), or Hetch Hetchy entrance station.

## Recreation

#### YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING SCHOOL **AND GUIDE SERVICE**

Yosemite Mountaineering School and Guide Service offers lessons and guided climbing at all levels, overnight backpacking, and guided day hikes to spectacular areas of Yosemite Valley and the high country.

## **Curry Village**

Located in the Mountain Shop 8:30 a.m. to Noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8344

## **BICYCLE RENTAL**

Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-joggers, wheelchairs, and

## six-speed bikes with trailers.

Yosemite Lodge at the Falls 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 209/372-1208

### Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Tour and **Activity Desk**

#### 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **Big Trees Ticket Kiosk\*** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## **SIGHTSEEING TOURS**

**Valley Floor Tour** This 26-mile, 2-hour tour departs daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley. Contact the tour and activity desk for times.

## **Glacier Point Tour\***

A 4-hour round trip from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point. The Glacier Point Tour also offers a one-way ticket for adventurers to hike back down to Yosemite Valley. Departs at 8:30, 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls.

## **Big Trees Tram Tour\***

Audio tram tours run everyday in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. Tours are 11/4 hours through the lower and upper groves. The audio tour is available in 5 languages, as well as in audio description. Tours daily 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 209/375-1621 for information and tour

## **Grand Tour\***

An 8-hour combination of Big Trees and Glacier Point Tours. Departs 8:45 a.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls.

\*Weather permitting. Closes for season after first snow.